



Heritage to Horizons...

Commemorating 60 years of
Air and Space Power

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AROUND THE AIR FORCE



AF60 commemoration activities were in full swing throughout the month of May.

(From top-left clockwise), AF Exhibit volunteers pose with WASP at the Andrews AFB Joint Service Open House; the USAF Band marches down Constitution Avenue during a Memorial Day Parade; NASCAR #4 Special AF60 Paint Scheme for the Coca-Cola 600; Memorial Day wreath-laying ceremony at the AF Memorial.

AF60 May Activities

Memorial Day proved to be a perfect opportunity to honor the men and women who proudly served their nation and also to mark the Air Force 60th Anniversary.

In the Washington, DC area, Airmen participated in the Joint Service Open House at Andrews AFB and several Memorial Day activities including a wreath laying ceremony at the Air Force Memorial, a National Memorial Day parade down Constitution Avenue and a concert that aired nationally during prime time on PBS.

In Charlotte, NC, Airmen were honored during "American Heroes Memorial Day Tribute" at

the Coca-Cola 600. In Sunday's competition, Bill Elliott raced in the #21 car painted with the Air Force paint scheme, while Ward Burton had his #4 car painted with the Air Force 60th logo. The race's tribute program helped raise funds for programs that support military members and their families. Three F-22s from Langley AFB soared overhead to kick-off the race in Charlotte.

Just a few states to the northwest, four other Langley F-22s amazed the crowds at the Indianapolis 500. On the track at Indy, 50 Airmen marched during the opening ceremonies as a salute to the Armed Forces. The Air Force 60th Public Service Announcement was played

on the Jumbotron at both the Indy 500 and the Coca-Cola 600.

Finally, halfway around the world, the AF60 Atlanta Braves Baseball made a stop in the Middle East and will continue to travel around the region before returning to Georgia for a special AF Game on the Air Force Birthday Sep 18.

With July 4th coming right around the corner, think about events in your local area that may help spread the AF60 message to your community. Share your ideas on the AF60 Community of Practice.

Feedback? Contact us!

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AF60 In A Flash



Hats and Horizons Away!

977 USAFA cadets became the Air Force's newest officers during graduation ceremonies at the Academy 30 May. During his commencement speech, Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates noted AF accomplishments over the past 60 years and said he expected great things from the new officers in the decades ahead.



AF60 goes "Hollywood"!

Thunderbird #1, LtCol Kevin "Hollywood" Robbins gave an AF60 Shout-Out on The Daily Show May 23rd. "Hollywood" challenged host Jon Stewart to fly with the team and promoted their upcoming performance in Wantagh, NY that week.



Now Hear This!

In recognition of Hawaii's "Military Appreciation Month," PACAF Commander, Gen. Paul V. Hester, and Chief Master Sgt. Tony Bishop, PACAF command chief master sergeant shared the Air Force's story and its 60th anniversary with Hawaii listeners live on local news radio station KHVH-AM 830 on 7 May.

EVENTS ON THE HORIZON

AFRS

The Air Force Cycling Team proudly displays the AF60 logo on their 2007 uniforms and are ready to ride at the popular RAGBRAI- the Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa from 22-28 Jul. The Air Force team participates in RAGBRAI for the purpose of recruiting and will be a highly visible /speedy part of the ride. Read more about the AF Cycling Team here:

www.airforcecyclingteam.com

Good luck team!



NMUSAF

The National Museum of the Air Force plans a busy June with film screenings, family days and a flood of summer visitors. Look for their events on the AF60 calendar or visit them online to learn from their fine AF60 efforts.

www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/

Air Force Women's Symposium

On 31 Oct, The Air Force will hold a symposium open to all Airmen in Washington D.C. to recognize the accomplishments of its past and present women, reinforce pride in those who are serving and generate excitement for the future. The event is being held in concurrence with the events of the Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA) 10th Anniversary. Information may be found at : www.womensmemorial.org.

AFMC

The third annual "AFMC Freedom's Call Tattoo," will treat an expected audience numbered in the tens of thousands to a spectacular presentation of music and air power on 29 Jun.

PACAF

On 24 May, General Hester spoke at a Military Recognition Luncheon. He discussed the Air Force's great 60-year history in the Asia-Pacific theater to more than 1,000 military members, civic and business leaders in Waikiki and expressed gratitude for the support of the local host-state Hawaii.

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June is going to be an exciting and busy month for the ANG! With events in RI, PA, NH, OR and CA—the Guard is commemorating AF60 nation wide. For more information check out the *Events on the Horizon* section.

AF60 SPOTLIGHT

Living Legends

To commemorate the Air Force's 60th Anniversary, the D.W. Steele chapter of the Air Force Association, in coordination with the Pentagon chapter, Airlift Tanker Association and the Air Force Historians Office, hosted the first "Living Legends" panel discussion on 10 May, with a seminar on "Emerging Airpower: WWII." The almost 100 people in attendance were treated to war stories and lessons learned from veterans of WWII.

Mr Dick Anderegg, AF Historian, led the discussion about technology, training, airpower employment and logistical challenges each of the esteemed panelists faced during WWII. Panel members included: Lt Gen (r) John Alison, a Flying Tiger ace; Col (r) Charles McGee, a Tuskegee Airman with combat in WWII, Korea, and Vietnam; Col (r) William Taylor, who helped establish the B-24s in England; and Dr. Dick Hallion, an author and lecturer on aerospace technology and military operations.

Be sure not to miss the next event in the Living Legends series,



Panelists at the first Living Legends speakers' series share an experienced perspective with the audience

"The Jet Age: Korea, Vietnam, Cold War" that will take place on 14 June in the Pentagon Conference Center.

The program will feature Gen (r) Hal Hornburg, O-1 forward air controller in Vietnam; Air Vice Marshal (r) Paddy Harbison, F-86 exchange officer in Korea; Maj Gen (r) Tom McInerney, F-105 deep strike missions North Vietnam; and Lt Col (r) Thomas Hanton, F-4 navigator

and Vietnam POW. The panel discussion will begin at 1500 and will be followed by a casual reception for one-on-one discussion beginning at 1600.

The final Living Legends event will be held on 19 Jul. If you happen to be in the area and would like to attend a Living Legends event, please contact Lt Col Michelle Ryan,

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Smithsonian
National Air and Space Museum



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Commemorating six decades of superiority in air and space

Visitors to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum in both its National Mall and Steven F. Udvar-Hazy locations are reminded of the AF 60th Anniversary as they tour the various exhibits. On 16 Jun, the Udvar-Hazy will host a special "Become-A-Pilot" Family Day from 10 am–3 pm open to the public—including airplane enthusiasts young and old! Thanks to the Museum for helping their patrons remember the historic and present contributions of the US Air Force!

The Air Force is proud to sponsor the 1st annual Crystal City Classic Bike race to be held on 16 Jun.

"The world's first aviators, Orville and Wilbur Wright, got their start as bike mechanics and eventually conducted the first successful demonstration of military flight right here in Arlington's own Fort Myer," said Brigadier General Janet A. Therianos, director of the Air Force's 60th Anniversary Task Force. "It's fitting for the US Air Force, now commemorating its 60th anniversary as an independent military service, to acknowledge its proud heritage and exciting future by sponsoring a bike race in the city where the power of military flight was first showcased."

AF60 SEEN & HEARD

Check out the latest places where you may have heard the AF60 Message through our Public Service Announcements, historic Heritage to Horizons Video, and news outlets!

In the News

May 1 - [The Dayton Daily News](#) reports on an exhibition of the F-22 Raptor to be held at the National Museum of the USAF in time for the AF 60th Anniversary in September.

May 3—[MotorSport.com](#) mentions AF60 in its coverage of the Indianapolis 500 and it's support of Armed Forces Day.

May 10—[Earthtimes.org](#) promoted an Air Force Association event held to honor the 60th Anniversary of the United States Air Force with a discussion of the famed Flying Tigers of World War II.

May 18—[WOWK TV in WV](#) quotes Gen Chuck Yeager on the 60th anniversary of his re-

cord-breaking supersonic flight and the 60th anniversary of the AF.

May 28—[The OC Register](#) writes of one of America's greatest fighter pilots, Bud Mahurin, who was invited to participate in a Washington DC Memorial Day parade and decided to come despite poor health. "I'd get out of it this afternoon if I could," he insists. "But it's the 60th anniversary of the Air Force!"

CALENDAR

The following is a list of upcoming events that will recognize or commemorate the Air Force's 60th Anniversary throughout the Air Force and civilian community.

1-Jun/31-Aug	USAF Band - AF Memorial Summer Concert Series	Arlington, VA
4-Jun/10-Jun	Air Force Week-Sacramento	Sacramento, CA
14-Jun	Living Legends (ATA): Dawn of the Jet Age	Arlington, VA
16-Jun	Living Legends (NASM): Family Day at Udvar-Hazy	Reston, VA
16-Jun	DC United Armed Forces Appreciation Day	Washington, DC
16-Jun	Crystal City Classic Bike Race	Arlington, VA
18-Jun/24-Jun	Paris Air Show	Paris, France
21-Jun/24-Jun	POW MIA Annual Meeting	Crystal City, VA
29-Jun	Air Force Material Command (AFMC) Tattoo	Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
30-Jun	USAF Band - Air Force 60th Anniversary Concert	Rockville, MD

Air Force Marathon:

This year's USAF Marathon will be held on 15 Sep and recognize the 60th Birthday! Lace up your shoes and head out to run : <http://www.usafmarathon.com/>

RI ANG Air Show:

Beat the summer heat and head up north to New England for the RI ANG 2007 air show which will recognize the Air Force 60th!



Air Force Bands commemorate the AF 60th Anniversary in their scripts and introductions and have 52 concerts planned for June. For information on upcoming concerts for one or more of the 13 AF bands, please visit:

<http://www.af.mil/library/band/>